Referring to the triennial programme of irrigation works recently published in the Gazette, he complained that provision had been made only for one tank work in each of the two districts of Hassan and Kadur. Seeing that several lakhs of rupees had been spent on irrigation projects in certain other districts and that the cases of Hassan and Kadur had not received adequate attention so far, he prayed that some more projects be undertaken in these districts. He next offered to the Dewan the grateful thanks of the people of Arkalgud for having sanctioned a scheme of protected water supply to the town.

At this stage, **the PRESIDENT** announced that Saturday, 3rd June, being His Highness' Cup Day, the Assembly would meet at 8 A.M., instead of at 12 NOON on that day, so as to enable the members to witness the races in the afternoon. He also added that the session would be extended by one day, *viz.*, 5th June.

Mr. Y. V. MUNISWAMI IYER and others suggested that extension of the session by two days was called for, as a good portion of the agenda had not been covered yet.

The PRESIDENT said that the question of further extending the session might be considered later, if necessary.

At this stage (5-15 p.m.), the Assembly rose for the day to meet again at 8 a.m., on the following day.

FIFTH DAY.

Saturday, 3rd June 1939.

The House reassembled at the Jagan Mohan Palace Pavilion on Saturday, 3rd June 1939, at 8 of the clock, Mr. President (*Amin-ul-Mulk* Sir Mirza M. Ismail, K.C.I.E., O.B.E., Dewan) in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS—*contd.*

Gomal Lands in Bangalore District.

Q.—7. **Mr. Shampur PAPANNA (Minorities).**—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the extent of *gomal* available in Bangalore District;

(*b*) whether in some places the gomal lands which were under the control of the Revenue Department have been included in the forest area;

(*c*) whether it is not possible to grant the said lands to the poor raiyats in the respective villages and obtain kandayam from them instead of adding on the lands to the forest area;

(*d*) the loss that will be incurred by the Forest Department by taking out such area from the control of the Forest Department?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatanaranappa).**—

(*a*) 2,73,850 acres and 16 guntas.

(*b*) Yes, to the extent absolutely necessary and with the consultation of the Revenue Authorities.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) It is not a question of loss to the Forest Department. The object has been to conserve and improve the existing tree growth in the interest of villagers.